CLAIMS:

1. A method of treating beverage which comprises

(i) contacting the beverage with polyvinyl polypyrrolidone,

(ii) subsequently centrifuging the beverage to remove the polyvinyl polypyrrolidone.

2. A method according to claim 1 which further comprises filtering the beer subsequent to centrifuging.

3. A method according to claim 1 which comprises delivering the polyvinyl polypyrrolidone which has been removed by centrifuging to a filter, collecting polyvinyl polypyrrolidone at the filter, periodically regenerating the collected polyvinyl polypyrrolidone by contact with alkali and then washing and recycling the regenerated polyvinyl polypyrrolidone.

4. A method according to claim 3 carried out using a plurality of filters, regeneration of polyvinyl polypyrrolidone collected by one filter taking place simultaneously with collection at another filter of polyvinyl polypyrrolidone removed by centrifugation.

5. A method according to claim 1 wherein the amount of polyvinyl polypyrrolidone is between 10 and 100 grams per

hectolitre of beverage.

6. A method according to claim 1 wherein at least 90% by weight of the polyvinyl polypyrrolidone has a particle size of at least 10 μm.

7. A method according to claim 1 wherein at least 90% by weight of the polyvinyl polypyrrolidone has a particle size of at least 20 μm.

8. A method according to claim 1 wherein at least 97% by weight of the polyvinyl polypyrrolidone has a particle size of at least 10 μm.

9. A method according to claim 1 wherein the beverage is beer, and the treatment thereof with polyvinyl polypyrrolidone is effective to enhance stability of the beer.